

Maritime Safety and Security Policy Program

Application guide for externally funded or
self-financed international applicants 2022-2023



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Objectives

The Maritime Safety and Security Policy Program (MSP) is a collaborative program designed and administered jointly by National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) and the Japan Coast Guard (JCG). This program makes it possible for students to benefit from the resources of both institutions in the fields of public policy, security studies, maritime safety, and maritime security. The students will have the opportunity to acquire professional knowledge, analytical skills, and communication skills relevant to their work while becoming members of a network of future coast guard leaders in the world.

Students in this program will study in Tokyo at GRIPS during the first half of the academic year and in Kure, Hiroshima at the Japan Coast Guard Academy (JCGA)—the JCG's most important educational institution—during the second half.

Study at GRIPS

After enrolling in the program, students will take required and elective courses at GRIPS from October through March. The required courses are International Relations, International Security Studies, International Law, International Relations in East Asia, and International Law of the Sea. The elective courses will enable students to deepen their knowledge in the fields of their interest. The elective subjects include courses in politics, economics, national security, and policy making.

Study at the JCGA

From April through July, the students will take courses and participate in practical training and educational programs at the JCGA. The required courses are Policy for Search and Rescue, Salvage and Maritime Disaster Prevention, and Maritime Police Policy. The students can further enhance their ability to effectively execute their duties as coast guard leaders in Asia through the study of a wide range of elective subjects. The JCGA's elective courses are designed to develop students' knowledge of science, technology, and criminal investigation, all of which are vital elements of effective policy formulation.

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Career Destinations

Graduates of MSP Program are expected to take core positions in their coast guard agencies. While executing their duties, they also have an opportunity to disseminate the knowledge they have gained from GRIPS and the JCGA to their agencies and beyond. In addition, graduates are in a unique position to play a central role in their organizations' international negotiations by drawing on the human networks cultivated in the program.

Program Outline

- **Program Director:** Professor Yoko Iwama
- **Associate Director:** Associate Professor Yusuke Takagi
- **Degree Offered:** Master of Policy Studies
- **Language of Instruction:** English
- **Time Schedule:** Program duration...1year Enrollment...October 2022 Graduation...September 2023

● Eligible Countries

Nationals of countries with which Japan has diplomatic relations

● Target Group

Junior coast guard officers from overseas who have more than 3 years work experience and also who are under 46 years of age as of October 1, 2022.

Curriculum

● Required Courses

Independent Study / International Relations in East Asia / International Relations / International Security Studies / Maritime Police Policy / International Law / International Law of the Sea / Policy for Search & Rescue, Salvage and Maritime Disaster Prevention / Case Study on Maritime Safety and Security Policy I-II

● Recommended Courses

Essential Microeconomics / Essential Macroeconomics / Government and Market / Government and Politics in Japan / International Political Economy / Comparative Politics / State and Politics in Southeast Asia / Non-Traditional Security / The World and the SDGs / Introduction to Quantitative Methods / Introduction to Oceanography / Marine Environment and Pollution / International Comparative Criminal Law / Introduction to International Maritime Safety and Security Conventions / Traffic Management Systems I-II / Ship Maneuverability and Practical Operation / Fundamentals of Advanced Energy Engineering / Information Management System I-II



Location

Fall and winter term (October to March)

National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS, Tokyo)

7-22-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Accommodation: Tokyo Center, JICA

2-49-5, Nishihara, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

Spring term (April to July)

Japan Coast Guard Academy (JCGA, Hiroshima)

5-1 Wakaba-cho, Kure-shi, Hiroshima

Accommodation: Chugoku Center, JICA

3-3-1, Kagamiyama, Higashi Hiroshimashi, Hiroshima

Admission

The Application Process

Selection for admission is based on the evaluation of supporting documents submitted to GRIPS Admission Office by the deadline of May 13, 2022. For details, please refer to the GRIPS HP of Online Application (Online Application Guide 2022-2023).

<https://www.grips.ac.jp/en/admissions/apply>

Tuition and Fees

What	How much	Frequency	Due date
Application Fee	30,000 yen	Once	Upon request from GRIPS
Admission Fee	282,000 yen	Once	At the time of enrollment
Tuition	642,960 yen	Yearly	In two installments, due October 31 and April 30

* Transaction fees and other handling charges must be paid by the applicant.

* Tuition and fees are subject to change.

* The above tuition will apply to those who enroll at GRIPS from April 2022 onward.

Admissions inquiries

If you have any questions or need further information, please refer to the Application FAQs at

<https://www.grips.ac.jp/en/admissions/faqs/>

If the answer to your question is not in the FAQs or in this Guide, please feel free to contact us by e-mail at

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